



Marlborough winners at the Rotary Technology Tournament

On Wednesday 8th March the eighteenth Rotary Technology Tournament was hosted by The Marlborough Science Academy. The schools involved were Heathlands, Roundwood Park, St Albans Girls, Sandringham, Townsend and Marlborough.

The challenge for the students was 'The Pipeline Vehicle' and the task involved the design, construction and testing of a vehicle to travel, and move debris along a pipeline. The complexity of the task increased from Foundation level, through intermediate level to Advanced level. The judging criteria consisted of evidence of planning, analysis of design problems and constraints, development work and communication, realisation and portfolio and final testing performance.

Marlborough had three teams in the competition from Years 9, 10 and 13 and congratulations to the two winning teams

Year 9— **Emily Bourne, Daniel Martin, Kade Neveling and Zehra Saglam**



Year 10— **Finley Thompson, James Sears, Luke Clarke and Evander Port.**



School Term Dates

Please refer to the back page as there have been some updates to the term dates.

World Book Day Winners!

Mandeville Primary would like to say a big thank you to **Tabitha Cooper (10AP)** for helping them to secure a fantastic prize on World Book Day. Just before Christmas, GCSE art student Tabitha spent a day working with local set designer Kate Bunce and a group of talented pupils to create an engaging display in the school library. They entered the display into a national competition which has been named runner-up in the third annual World Book Day Award.

Each year, schools are invited to take part in a creative challenge, which celebrates reading for pleasure – this year picture book giant, Oliver Jeffers and acclaimed fine artist, Sam Winston asked schools to create their own 'world of stories' inspired by their new children's book, *A Child of Books*, published by Walker Books, who have funded the Award for 2017.

The school won £1,000 worth of books for their library and a signed print by author and illustrator Oliver Jeffers! All the children enjoyed working with Tabi and she is very proud that they won such a great prize.

Mrs C Cooper (English Lead Mandeville Primary School)



Book Week at Marlborough

Book Week was once again very busy particularly in the LRC. There were word searches and quizzes all week at lunch time and all students and staff were invited to take part in the Accelerated Reader free for all. This was won, for the second year running, by Mercury House who passed a fantastic 110 quizzes and read over 8 million words between them. The full results were as follows

1st Mercury – 8,741,987 words

2nd Mars – 7,130,171 words

3rd Neptune – 3,604,346 words

4th Saturn – 3,465,359 words



Tuesday lunchtime karaoke was popular as usual and our thanks once again go to Mr Billington for compering.

SCHOLASTIC Book Fairs

Our Scholastic Book Fair ran from 20th-24th February and was well attended particularly by Year 7 students.

We ran a competition to design a book cover and the quality of the entries was excellent.

The winner of £10 voucher to spend at the fair was **Jarin Auddity 8RT** and 3 runners up prizes of £5 each went to **Tabitha Cooper 10AP**, **Max Gipps 7EW** and **Kiera Taylor 9AG**. Thank you to Ms Redfern for judging them.



Thank you to everyone who supported the fair and a special mention goes to **Harvey Matthewson 7NS** who was by far our best customer!

Due to the amount of books bought by students and staff we were able to purchase over **£80** worth of books for the LRC.



All students were invited to take part in 'The Big Read' during form time on Thursday and members of SLT came to the LRC to listen to students read.



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The winner of the Who's Behind the Book? Competition was **Fayez Rahman 11DG**



Just some of the entries!

The Dress Your Door Competition once again produced some excellent creations and the winning form was **7CL** for their The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe display complete with opening doors and working street lamp!

All the entries were fantastic and will receive a small prize. You can view the entries [here](#)



Wally turned out to be elusive and there was no outright winning form in the Where's Wally competition but there were prizes for **Daniel O'Connor 10CE** and **Anna Visegradi, Miriam Iuga and Hema 7DD** for their efforts.

Maths Master Workshop

To support Year 6 transition into Year 7, Mrs Gustafson held a Maths Master Workshop at Bowmansgreen Primary with some of their Year 6 students. The aim of the workshop was to help Reinforce reasoning skills in preparation for their upcoming SATS tests and thanks to the following students from Year 7 and 8 who assisted in the workshop -

Jarin Auddity, Daniel Howell, Lauren Cropper, Elise Wylie, Samuel Viccars, Jessica Jacobs Harry Hallet, Ryan Conway, Sean Neveling, Rhianna Patel, Hema Sujatha and Mathra Kapugama Geeganage



'I enjoyed teaching the Year 6s because it reminded me of when I was preparing for SATS when I was in Year 6. They were all determined learners, so it was easy to make them understand.' **Jarin Auddity**



'My favourite part was trying to work out the questions with the Year 6s because it was fun to find so many combinations that did or didn't work.' **Rhianna Patel**

'I liked the fact that they were happy to do the work and they seemed to enjoy it.' **Sam Viccars**

'Today was fun and the puzzles were interesting.' **Daniel Howell**

'I enjoyed talking to the children about the questions and explaining it to them. I also enjoyed seeing how they can explain it.' **Mathra Kapugama Geeganage**



The 2017 Herts Ad School Awards

Is your school top of the class?

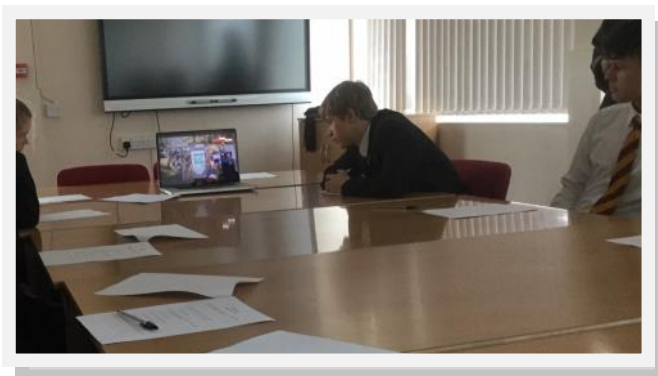
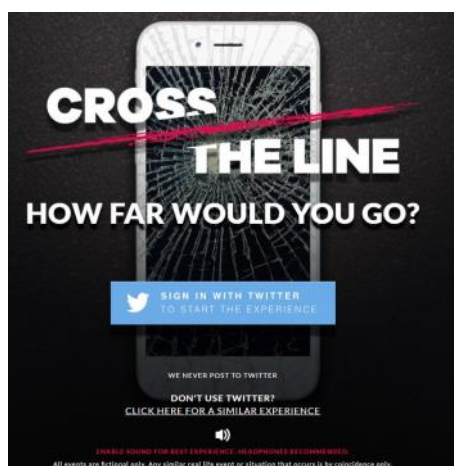
This year is the 7th Herts Advertiser School Awards!

The evening will be taking place on Wednesday 28th of June at Oaklands College, St Albans, where local schools and sponsors will come together to celebrate the continuous achievements of educational institutions in St Albans and Harpenden.

To enter your school's hardworking and dedicated members of staff and the student body, shout about any innovative projects that you have part taken in, celebrate those unsung heroes without whom the school would not be successful and celebrate your school's achievements in the last year [click here](#).

Deadline is May 18th.

Marlborough students help support community safeguarding



On Wednesday 1st March twelve Year 10 students helped support Herts, Beds and Cambs Police by acting as a focus group to give constructive feedback to a new app being developed called 'Crossing the line.' The app targeted at 15-25 year olds takes the form of a twitter feed video showing how easily young people can be persuaded to become involved in hate crimes.

Marlborough was one of only six schools nationally who have been involved in the work because we have been extremely proactive in ensuring all our safeguarding procedures and policies are up to date through using external expertise.

The app is being taken to the Home Office and it is hoped to go nationwide with a big media campaign. Our students were commented upon as being a credit to us and giving really insightful feedback. Thank you to **Zara Giwa, Ewan Robinson, Tom Bournier, Daniel Bedoya, Molly Broekman, Ruth Mitchell-Fox, Callum Cooper, Charlotte Woolley, Andi Ciocoiu, Rhys Wernham, Katie Little and Olivia Stuart.**

Mr Fitzgibbon
Deputy Headteacher

Safeguarding Information for parents and carers

There is a very informative website for parents and carers produced by the NSPCC which gives more information on the social networks that your child may use or want to use and supports parents in understanding the risks of the internet [Your guide to the social networks your kids use \(NSPCC\)](#) and also from Think U Know [How to...guides \(Think U Know\)](#) for a variety of social media that is being used.

How to guides

It can seem difficult to keep up-to-date with the technology that children use. You can find out much more information and support about digital technologies here.

View and download our Whatsapp guide for parents

View the HZ guide

Watch videos providing guidance on what parents & carers need to know about nude selfies

Watch videos

View and download our ooVoo guide for parents

View the HZ guide

Concerned?

If you're worried about your child and think something is not quite right, it's best to be on the safe side and find out more.

- Where can I get help?
- Report an incident to CEOP

Post 16 PSHCE Sessions

ERASMUS IS NOT A YEAR IN ONE LIFE,
BUT A LIFE IN ONE YEAR

Erasmus from Hertfordshire University delivered a presentation to Post 16 students in their PSCHEE session informing them about studying abroad.

'I have become so much more confident with my future decision that I have to make. I am really interested about the idea of travelling with education.' **Izzy Butt**

'It has open up new ideas for me to think into for university and also for travelling. It sounds very interesting and looks like an exciting opportunity' - **Sophie Brown**

'I have always been interested in travelling abroad however not really know how it would be possible. But now I feel more knowledgeable in how it would be possible.' **Abigail Medlycott**

'After the talk I now feel so much more excited and engaged in the idea of traveling abroad, the opportunity seems too good to miss!' **Kate Mercer**



Year 10 and 11 English revision guides

Please note that guides for the majority of English Literature set texts and English Language are available to purchase from school via School Gateway. Please remember that receipts need to be brought to the English faculty office in order for guides to be collected.

Mrs E Blount

The Marlborough Oracle

This month's issue is now available and can be viewed from the school website by clicking [here](#)

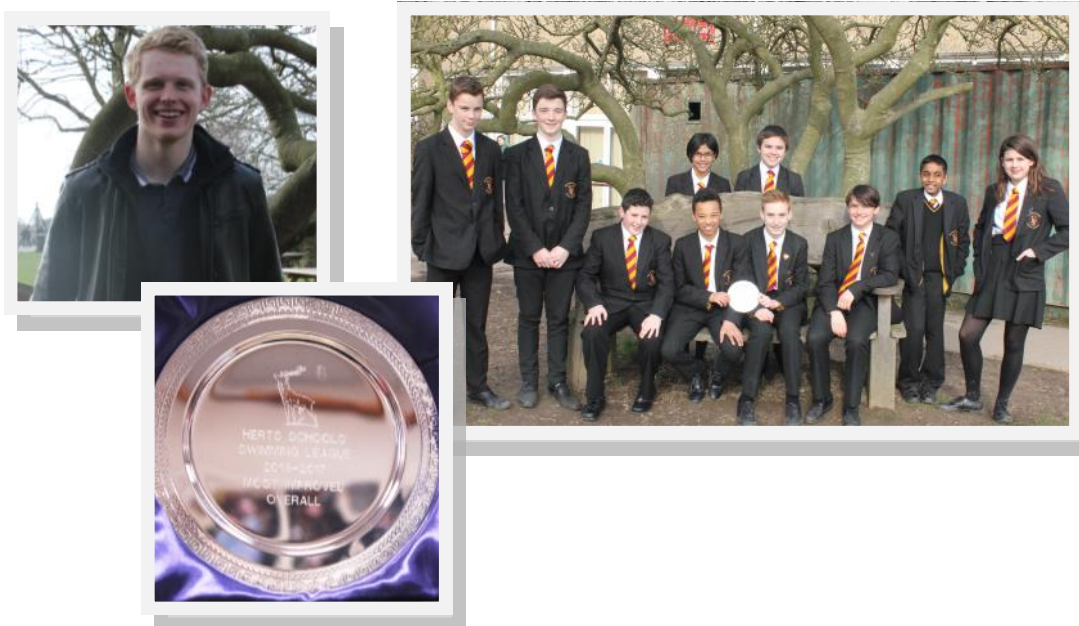
If you have any questions and not sure who to ask
please click here for the [general enquiry form](#)

Student Achievements

Tennis

Good luck to **Sean Neveling 7MK** who has been invited to an East regional tennis training camp next week. He played a regional event at Harlow and finished 3rd and earlier in February he won his two matches in the qualifiers beating a GB player. In the 1st round of the main draw he managed to beat another GB player to get to the round of 16. Unfortunately he got knocked out at this round playing a boy a year older than him. These G2 results have allowed him to finish tied 19th for the winter season in Great Britain on the G2 National leader board. He is 4th reserve for the G1 National Winter Season Tour Finals (16 boys invited) to be played later in March.

Most improved swimming team in the Hertfordshire league – The Marlborough Science Academy



Congratulations to Daniel Martin, Joel Green, Rihanna Patel, Nikita Rach, Tom Jobson, Darcey Moffat, Zachary Foulkes, Alex Noon, Ronny Sutton, Matthew Martin, Nathan Thoree and Josh Twining .



Amazing success by **Tom Jobson** on winning a Silver medal in the 50m fly and Gold in 50m Relay swimming for St Albans District team.

Congratulations to **Mikie Ridgway 7NS** who competed in the British championships at the weekend, on a new much harder scoring system in the country since the 2016 Olympics, and hit a score of 62.80.

This is an excellent performance ahead of the English championships in April.

Mikie performed some new harder skills for the first time with success.



Aladdin Jr

Thank you to Aboyne Lodge, Abbey Primary and Prae Wood Primary who came to see the matinee performance of our latest production Aladdin Jr this Tuesday. It was lovely to see 180 excited Year 5 and 6 students so entranced with the production, wowed by the special effects of the magic carpet and the energy of the cast. At the time of writing we are looking forward to the sell out evening performances this week.



Zak from Aboyne Lodge particularly wanted his photo taken with Jafaar and the parrot.

ST STEPHEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

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“It’s about You, Your Family and the Future”

Parishioners who live in St Stephen Parish - which encompasses the villages of Bricket Wood, Chiswell Green and Park Street – are invited to have their say on how the area will develop over the coming years – log onto <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/ParishNPlan> to record your views and opinions on matters such as Housing Development, Community and Leisure facilities, Green Spaces and the Environment, Traffic and Public Transport, Local Business and Employment.



Eat well, move well, live well

It’s that time of year again when we ask for your support in collecting the Sainsburys Active Kids vouchers. Please also let your family and friends know and students can hand the vouchers in at Reception.



MFestival - Early bird ticket sale ends soon!

Our annual music festival MFestival returns on **July 15th** with 3,000 people expected to join us for a day of music and activities for all the family.

Early Bird ticket sales offering 20% off finishes at the end of March so make sure you secure your place and save money by buying your tickets before then.

Tickets can be purchased here: www.themfestival.co.uk where you can also find more details of the festival including the line up on both stages.

Last year this event raised over £15k for the school. We expect to raise a similar amount this year as well as supporting two great local charities that support young people in the local community - Electric Umbrella and Youth Talk

Pupdate 6

As you may know we have been following the progress of our sponsored guide dogs Ivy and Isaac who are no longer puppies but now fully fledged guide dogs.

Ivy has settled with her new family and after guiding her owner Emma back from the school run, spends the day helping Emma to run errands, volunteer for the Guide Dogs and visiting family and friends. 'Ivy is very forward thinking and will adjust her route if she can see obstacles further up the road and she also remembers places well. Emma can't walk past her favourite coffee shop without Ivy offering her the door and knows Emma's usual supermarket and clothes shops too! At the weekend when Ivy is off the harness she loves to run around the park with the family. She has attended the boys' school plays and remembrance services and when the reverend asked the congregation to stand, Ivy got straight up!' Ivy is doing a fab job and helping Emma to live the life she loves and Ivy is having a great time doing her job!

Isaac is currently staying with an experienced boarder. Following his previous pupdate he got a little overwhelmed and struggled to settle in to life with his new owner. It was felt that the owner's busy lifestyle wasn't the best fit for Isaac so his trainer is carefully searching for an owner who is just right for Isaac. 'He's made amazing progress throughout his training, he's very smart and his guiding skills are excellent. He is a sensitive boy but struggles a little with his confidence.' Isaac is having a fantastic time with his boarder, shares the house with another dog and enjoys his time running around.

The life changing work that the Guide Dogs for the Blind do is only possible thanks to donations from people like you.



COME DRESSED AS SOMEONE

FABULOUSLY FAMOUS



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DAY**

**Friday
24 March**

£1

Students not in fancy dress need to be in school uniform

Year 11 Bake Sale

The Year 11 COPE class will be having a bake sale on Friday in Pascal at lunchtime. Please remember to bring in some money and help them raise funds for Open Door, a local homeless charity.





SKATEBOARD COACHING



EASTER HOLIDAY SKATEBOARD COACHING SESSIONS



SESSIONS BEGIN AT 9AM UNTIL 12PM

BOYS AND GIRLS OF ALL AGES AND ABILITIES ARE WELCOME.

SKATEBOARDS, HELMETS AND PADS ARE PROVIDED.

TUITION FROM EXPERIENCED SKATEBOARD INSTRUCTORS.

DATES

MON 3, TUE 4, WED 5, THU 6, FRI 7.

MON 10, TUE 11, WED 12, THU 13, FRI 14

For more details contact Will

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DEALING WITH ANGER

For parents of children aged 5-12

DATE: 3rd May – 24th May 2017

WEDNESDAY, 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Community Room, Fire Station, 153 London Road, St Albans, AL1 1TQ

Four sessions run by Vista St Albans

£25.00 per person
(concessions available)



We will explore:

- Understanding anger- our own and others
- Strategies that can help children manage their own anger
- Safe ways of expressing anger
- Building children's sense of 'self'
- Challenging unacceptable behaviour

To find out more and to book a place please call Vista on 07584 798 528 or
Email: vistastalbans@gmail.com



www.vistastalbans.org.uk

Being a parent can be challenging at times – we can offer individual support as well as a variety of information and guidance to services. Vista is committed to improving life chances for children and young people by supporting parents.

Term Dates

Spring Term 2017

Thursday 5th January Beginning of term for staff and students
 Friday 10th February INSET Day

Half Term Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February

Friday 7th April Last day of term

Summer Term 2017

Monday 24th April Start of term for all students
 Monday 1st May Bank Holiday (May Day)

Half Term Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June
 Friday 21st July Last day of term

Autumn Term 2017

Monday 4th September and Tuesday 5th September—INSET Days

Wednesday 6th September—Start of term for all students

Half term Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October

Friday 24th November—Occasional Day

Wednesday 20th December—End of term

Spring Term 2018

Thursday 4th January to Wednesday 28th March

Thursday 29th March—INSET Day

Half Term Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February

Summer Term 2018

Monday 16th April to Friday 20th July

Half Term Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June



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